



February 13, 2015

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## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 20**

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### **DIGEST OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Legislative Council to assign to the appropriate study committee the topic of which time zone our state capital and, therefore, the majority of our citizens should observe.

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**Thompson**

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February 12, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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*Whereas, Senate Bill 127-2005 passed with the understanding that hearings would be held regarding the boundary between the Central and Eastern time zones in Indiana;*

*Whereas, Hearings were never held to appropriately assess the location of the line between the Central and Eastern time zones that would best serve Indiana;*

*Whereas, The time zone that should be observed in most Indiana counties has been a continuing issue of controversy;*

*Whereas, Indiana is currently split into two time zones - the Central Time Zone and the Eastern Time Zone;*

*Whereas, Most of Indiana's 92 counties are in the Eastern Time Zone; however, Jasper, Lake, LaPorte, Newton, Porter, Starke, Gibson, Perry, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick counties are in the Central Time Zone, which has about 20% of Indiana's population;*

*Whereas, The placement of our state capital in the Central Time Zone would likely result in Clark, Dearborn, Floyd, Harrison, and Ohio counties remaining in the Eastern Time Zone which has about 5% of Indiana's population; and*



*Whereas, The issues of commerce, education achievement, and student safety are some of the issues related to time zone placement: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the Senate concurring:*

1       SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the  
2       Legislative Council to assign to the appropriate study committee the  
3       topic of which time zone our state capital and, therefore, the majority  
4       of our citizens should observe.

